RIOCLAMATION Issued by the Governing Body of the Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, Florida

WHEREAS, there are approximately 2 million Americans living with limb loss/difference; and

WHEREAS, over 500 people lose a limb each day in the United States; and

WHEREAS, 1,000 babies are born each year in the United States with congenital limb difference; and

WHEREAS, diabetes and peripheral vascular disease are the leading causes of limb loss; and

WHEREAS, the number of amputations per day will double by 2050 unless a major public awareness campaign is launched and key prevention initiatives put in place; and

Whereas, the Amputee Coalition of America provides education, outreach, advocacy, and a National Limb Loss Information Center for the benefit of persons with limb loss/difference, their families, and health care providers; and

Whereas, April will be an appropriate month to designate as National Limb Loss Awareness Month as spring is a time of renewal and inspiration.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor of the Town Of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, do hereby proclaim

April 2012, as Limb Loss Awareness Month

In the Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and encourage all of its citizens to join in recognizing the importance of this month and celebrating people with limb loss and limb difference living full and productive lives, expressing gratitude to caregivers who are a source of support and motivation, and saluting combat amputees who have lost their limbs in service to this country.

1947		In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and caused this seal to be affixed
FL	ORIDA	Roseann Minnet, Mayor
Attest	June White, Town Clerk	Date